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Dear Spartan Families:

This letter is a follow-up to yesterday's online communication regarding the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services' (MDHHS) reinstatement of the 14-day quarantine period for close contacts.

I recognize that ongoing modifications to guidelines for **isolation** periods (typically observed by individuals who are identified as positive or probable cases of COVID-19) and **quarantine** periods (typically observed by individuals who are close contacts to positive or probable cases of COVID-19) can be confusing for families. Indeed, they are confusing for us, at times, as well! Trust that we are doing our best to communicate clearly and accurately as we are provided new information from MDHHS.

In that regard, I am sharing a document that explains *current* guidelines for both isolation and quarantine periods for your convenience. I hope that you find it helpful. It is worth noting that not every scenario can be easily placed into a table; many situations are unique, and require us to consult with the local Health Department before communicating to families about isolation and quarantines. Please see the accompanying Isolation/Quarantine guideline document.

As I've previously stated, our goal is to offer uninterrupted face-to-face instruction to students, and we will continue to implement all required safety protocols here in the schools. With that being said, we need the help of all of our students and their families in order to maintain the teaching and learning model we know is best for students. Here are some ways you can help us accomplish that goal:

- Please encourage your child to maintain social distancing and wear a mask outside the school day at practices, competitions, shopping, visiting with friends, etc.
- Please keep your child home from school if he/she is sick. Please follow the directions on the parent/student health screener each morning before sending your child to school.
- If someone in your household is a positive case of COVID-19 OR is awaiting a test result, please keep your child home and contact your child's school for further consultation about attending school.
- If you decide to have your student tested for COVID-19, please be sure to ask for the PCR test, and have your child stay home while awaiting results.
- If your child is placed in quarantine, please have him/her stay at home and away from others outside of the household. Please do not allow your child to be in contact with other students or participate in social events or activities outside of the home while on quarantine.

I understand that not all parents are in favor of the safety protocols that the State has implemented and has asked schools to adhere to. I understand they are inconvenient. Know that their implementation is necessary in order for us to offer face-to-face instruction and reduce close contact quarantines. Thank you for your consideration and support.



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